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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action of January 16, 1996, for which the date for response was April 16, 1996.

Enclosed herewith is a request for a three-month extension of time and the process fee of \$450.00. Should the request be absent, or should the check be missing or deficient,